

**MINUTES OF THE FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING
OF THE BALLINA SHIRE COUNCIL
HELD IN THE BALLINA SHIRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
40 CHERRY STREET, BALLINA,
ON 20/11/19 AT 4.00 PM, RESUMED ON THURSDAY
28/11/19 AT 11.41 AM**

Attendance

Crs Ben Smith (in the chair), David Wright, Phillip Meehan, Sharon Parry, Jeff Johnson, Eoin Johnston, Keith Williams and Sharon Cadwallader.

Paul Hickey (General Manager), John Truman (Director, Civil Services Director), Matthew Wood (Director, Planning and Environmental Health Division), Kelly Brown (Director, Corporate and Community Division) and Sarah Carden (Secretary) were in attendance.

There were three people in the gallery at this time.

1. Apologies

An apology was received from Cr Nathan Willis.

RECOMMENDATION

(Cr David Wright/Cr Sharon Parry)

That such apology be accepted and leave of absence granted.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Stephen McCarthy and Cr Nathan Willis

2. Declarations of Interest

Nil

3. Deputations

- **Alan Hicks, President Ballina & District Historical Society** - spoke in support of Item 4.1 – Pimlico Hall – Proposed Use

4. Committee Reports

4.1 Pimlico Hall - Proposed Use

A **Motion** was moved by Cr Keith Williams and Cr Sharon Cadwallader

1. That based on the contents of this report Council confirms its support for the Ballina and District Historical Society to manage and operate the Pimlico Hall as a Historical Museum.
2. That Council authorizes the General Manager to affix the seal to the lease documents and any other documents required to allow tenure to be granted to Ballina and District Historical Society Inc for the Pimlico Hall for a period of three years at a nominal lease fee.

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An **Amendment** was moved by Cr Phillip Meehan and seconded by Cr Jeff Johnson

That Council provides in-principle support to the lease of the building to the Ballina and District Historical Society subject to a further report confirming costing and funding to rectify the access issues.

The **Amendment** was **LOST**.

FOR VOTE - Cr Phillip Meehan

AGAINST VOTE - Cr David Wright, Cr Sharon Parry, Cr Jeff Johnson, Cr Eoin Johnston, Cr Keith Williams, Cr Sharon Cadwallader and Cr Ben Smith

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Stephen McCarthy and Cr Nathan Willis

The **Motion** was **CARRIED**.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Stephen McCarthy and Cr Nathan Willis

RECOMMENDATION

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ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Stephen McCarthy and Cr Nathan Willis

4.2 Alstonville Leisure and Entertainment Centre - Redevelopment

RECOMMENDATION

(Cr Sharon Cadwallader/Cr David Wright)

1. That in respect to future planning for the Alstonville Leisure and Entertainment Centre, Council;
 - a) Supports, in principle, the concept of expanding the existing library to meet current and future demands; and
 - b) Authorises, the General Manager to engage industry experts to assist with preparing possible designs and more detailed costings for this work. This is to include consultation with key stakeholders such as the Richmond Tweed Regional Library.

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2. That Council receive a further report once the designs and costings have been completed, with that report to outline possible funding options, if any, for the works.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Stephen McCarthy and Cr Nathan Willis

4.3 Swimming Pools - Tender for Management Contracts

A **Motion** was moved by Cr Eoin Johnston and seconded by Cr David Wright

That Council authorises the General Manager to call tenders for the contract management of the Alstonville and Ballina War Memorial Pool based on the following specifications:

- a) A contract management arrangement with a term of five plus five years with the option to the contractor.
- b) Based on an eleven month season with Ballina closed during June and Alstonville during July. The Alstonville Pool is also scheduled to be closed during July and August 2020 to refurbish the amenities.
- c) Opening hours as follows:
 - Monday to Friday 5.30am to 7pm Ballina and Alstonville
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- d) Revenue derived from gate takings is to be retained by Council with all other revenue generated at the facility through kiosk operations and swim programs to be retained by the contractor.
- e) The contractor is responsible for day to day maintenance expenses associated with building and grounds maintenance and amenity consumables and cleaning. Council is responsible for all costs associated with the major plant room, chemicals, electricity, rates and charges, building insurance and building maintenance expenses outside of day to day maintenance.
- f) Council must approve all swimming programs to ensure that adequate public access to the facilities is maintained.

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The **Amendment** was **LOST**.

FOR VOTE - Cr Sharon Parry and Cr Jeff Johnson

AGAINST VOTE - Cr David Wright, Cr Phillip Meehan, Cr Eoin Johnston, Cr Keith Williams, Cr Sharon Cadwallader and Cr Ben Smith

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Stephen McCarthy and Cr Nathan Willis

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 5:14 pm on 20 November 2019, to be resumed at 11:30 am on Thursday 28 November 2019.

The meeting resumed at 11.41 am on Thursday 28 November 2019.

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The **Amendment** was **CARRIED**.

FOR VOTE - Cr Jeff Johnson, Cr Stephen McCarthy, Cr Nathan Willis, Cr

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Keith Williams and Cr Sharon Cadwallader and the casting vote of the Chair (Cr Ben Smith)

AGAINST VOTE - Cr David Wright, Cr Phillip Meehan, Cr Sharon Parry, Cr Eoin Johnston and Cr Ben Smith

The **Amendment** then became the **Motion** and was **CARRIED**.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

RECOMMENDATION

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FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

MEETING CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 11.53 am on Thursday 28 November 2019.